

Will, NC, Lincoln, FRANCIS BEATY 1827

In the name of God, Amen.

I **FRANCIS BEATY** of the county of Lincoln and state of North Carolina, being sick & weak but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God calling into mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say principally and first off all I give and recommend my soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting, but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give, demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form, viz.

First of all my just debts to be paid.

I do bequeath to my son **FRANCIS** a piece of land lying on the east side of Hickory Creek in the county of Rutherford joining lands of **ISAAC SPURLIN** and **JACOB G. BEATY**.

I do bequeath to my daughter **RUANA** twenty dollars in money out of said land also ...

I do give to my beloved son **FRANCIS** one rifle gun and all my working tools also the home plantation containing one hundred acres also eighty acres joining the home tract and the property to remain on the place for the use of the family.

I do bequeath to my beloved wife **MARY** her support of the said plantation also the house and household furniture.

I do give to my daughter **RUANA** her claim of the stock.

I do give to my daughter Nancy and her heir a piece of land lying on the west side of Hickory Creek in the county of Rutherford joining lands of **MATTHEW SPURLIN, JACOB G. BEATY** also I allow fifteen dollars out of said lands to my daughter **RUANA**.

I do give to my daughter **RUANA** one weaving loom and tacklings.

I do give to my son **JACOB G. BEATY** one dollar.

To whom, I do constitute, make and ordain this my last will and testament, all and singular my lands, "missurages" and testament them to possess and enjoyed.

I do utterly disallow, revoke and disannul all, every other former testament, will, legacies, bequeath and executors by me in any wise before named, willed, bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to by my last will and testament.

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In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this fifteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred twenty seven.

FRANCIS BEATY {seal}

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced & declared by the said **FRANCIS BEATY** as his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereto subscribed our names.

**E. B. DAVIS
PHILIP SELLERS
MARY BEATY
FRANCIS BEATY JUNIOR, executors**

FRANCIS BEATY Exs. sworn